



Illinois NS Great Lakes

Facility and Location

Founded in 1911, Naval Station (NS) Great Lakes Naval Recruit Training Command (RTC) is the central processing location for recruits. Approximately 50,000 recruits pass through Great Lakes RTC annually with an estimated 15,000 onboard the installation at any time. The largest military installation in Illinois and the largest training center in the Navy, the base include 1,153 buildings on 1,628 acres and uses 50 miles of roadway to provide access to the facilities. Lakes Service School Command (SSC) is the central training location for enlisted students. Students at SSC either arrive directly from RTC or are returning from the fleet for further training. While new recruits are onboard RTC approximately nine weeks for basic training, SSC students will be onboard SSC from two weeks to fourteen months, depending on the curriculum.

Media Sampled and Findings

Drinking Water — In 2007, four of four samples detected perchlorate from 0.06 to 0.11 ppb. Prior to 2007, one sample from Great Lakes PWC- Water Treatment Plant reported no detection.

Appropriate Actions

Not Applicable. All samples were below the EPA and DoD Preliminary Remediation Goal of 15 ppb.